THE DISPATCH FOUNDED 1850. THE TIMES FOUNDED 1886.

WHOLE NUMBER 16,714.

in Tegislative and Inhancial Circles, Jus-when the Virginia commission will mea-is purely a matter of speculation, no date having been fixed. Any two or the sever members may call a meeting at any time they so desire,

GUNS REACH ALL

PORTIONS OF TOWN

Streets of Port Arthur Descried

and But Few Soldiers on

Patrol Duty.

NOT A VESSEL IN HARBOR

Terrible Effect of Dynamite as

Offensive Weapon-Bom-

bardment of Arsenal.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, December 15—(Noon).—It is rewrited that the Japanese have successully torpedoed the Russian battleship

HEADQUARTERS OF THE THIRI JAPANESE ARMY, via Fusan, Decem 14—Every pani of the city and harbor cort Arthur is visible from 203 Metre F

Many buildings have been burned, and others shallered. The shelters of the harbor present a strange appearance, with the turrers, masts and funnels of war-

RICHMOND, VA., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1904.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

STATE MAY SUE WEST VIRGINIA

At Least Such a Course is Prayed for by the Bondholders.

CONFERENCE HERE OF PROMINENT MEN

Matter Goes Back to the Fifteen Million Dollars Debt Alleged to be West Virginia's Share of the Mother State's Ancient Obligations.

the Jefferson Hotel between Brothers & Co., of New York about nine million dollars of Vire may, and probably will, prove importance to the State of Virit is said on authority that final action was taken by the Vir-

to consider a proposition from the representing a large majority ould deposit with the Virginia commis the understanding that the State would proceed against the ositively stated that no writings coas ago, was refused by the

Precedent Established.

is well known, an individual cann

further liability, whatever be the result of the interstate suit. It is the belief of both parties that if the Virginia committee, acting for the State, accept this proposition under the terms alleged to have been agreed upon the holders of the two and a half millions of debt certificates not yet deposited with the holding committee will then deposit these also with the State. These with the two and a half or three millions held by the State in the sinking fund and in the literary fund would make up practically further liability, whatever be the result erary fund would make up practically all of the fifteen millions of Virginia bonds apportioned to the State of West

all of the inteen millions of Virginia of the inteen millions in the settlement of 1871, known as the funding bill.

A member of the committee last night stated that no action was agreed upon by the conference. He did not concede that such an agree each by the bondholders would rel age Virginia from liability in the event of the failure of the suit. The certificate holders look to the State of Virginia for a settlement, and Virginia appointed this commission to look into the matter. Virginia, he said, never und rtook to be responsible for the fiften millions fixed as West Virginia share further than to get a settlement with West Virginia and to account for this one-third of the debt, subject to such settlement. such settlement.

May Enter the Agreement. While there is no official statement as to what Virginia will do in the matter, and, inde d, there can be none until definite action is taken on the proposition of the holding committee, it is thought by some that this Sinte, relying upon the action of the Supreme Court in the South Dakota-North Carolina case and upon the reported agreement of the certificate holders to release Virginia from further liability will probably institute

tificats holders to release Virginia from further liability will probably institute proceedings against the State of West Virginia. That is necessarily merely an opinion, since the one can forecast the commission's action in the matter.

Those present at the conference were Messrs. Charence Cary, John Crosby Brown and W. C. Le Gandre, all of New York, representing the majority of the certificate holders; Major Holmes Courad and Colon'l R. P. Chew, their advisory counsel; and Messrs, John B. Moon, chairman; Henry T. Wicksham, Randolph Harrison, H. D. Flood, H. H. Downing and Judge J. Thompson Brown, Holl. William P. Rhea was the only absontee.

The history of this bond matter is one covering many years, the details of which would fill several volumes. The State of Virginia in 1871, in a bill known as the funding bill, apportioned \$15,000,000., or about one-third of the total debt of Virginia, as the share for which this State held that West West Virginia was legally and morally responsible. West Virginia having been a part of the State of Virginia at the time this bonded debt was contracted. Of this fifteen millions, two and a half or three millions of three bond certificates are held by Virginia in the sinking fund and the literary fund, mine millions are in the hands of shis N w York Bond Committee and \$3,000,000 to \$2,560,000 are held by individuals in various parts of this country. These debt certificates were issued in 1871. In 1879 (the McCulioch bill), and in 1882 (the bulk of them being issued in 1871). Virginia's share of the debt was further reduced in 1882 by the Riddleberger settlement. The fact that a conference has been held, albeit an advisory one as claimed, to consider a proposition of such moment. MEN IN SOUTH

Dr. Alderman Speaks at Annual Dinner of New York Society.

AFFAIR WALS VERY BRILLIANT

Mayor McClellan Declares That All Were Victors in War of '61-Bingham Refers to the Negro Question-Southern Songs Loudly

Cheered.

Among those at the guests those wine President Harrison, who presided, were Mayor McClalan, who responded to the toast, "The City of New York"; Colonel Robert Bingham, of Asheville, N. C., who told of "The Past Status of the South, the Decadence of that Status and its Restoration"; George S. Graham, of Philadelphia, whose theme was "The My Country"; Dr. E. A. Alder-

remarks reviewed the history of the South during the past year. In conclu-

South is solid, and in those things let Mayor McClellan, who was then intro-

with Pennsylvania and some time by fac Assyrian Not Negro,
RICHMOND, IND., December 14.—
Chares E. Shrively, supreme chance or
of the Knights of Pythias of the World,
to-day ruled that Assyrians do not belong
to the negro race, and are eligible to
membership in the order. The question
arose at Darlington, S. C., where an
Assyrian had made application for membership.

with Pennsylvania and some time by New York.
Dr. E. A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, declared that the South must recover its national spirit, He declared that the obility of the leadership of the South is weak, and that the crying need is for trained men. For their training, he said, great institutions of learning are requisite and for them there should be great endowments,

JUNIORS ACTED UNDER MISTAKE

Man Who Conferred With Class President Didn't Represent Faculty.

JUNIORS MAY RETURN ON THEIR REQUEST

The Senior Class Meets and Confers With the Faculty.

> The Resignation as a Class Cannot be Recall-

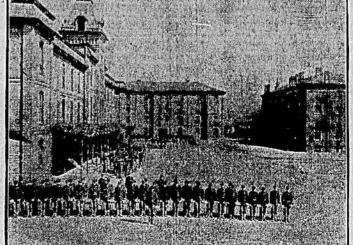
BLACKSBURG, VA. December This morning the senior class held and a half, but little was done at the yet left, about forty men including a ing. Mr. E. H. Roby, a member of the class committee, announced juniors' president in Dr. McBryde's office that the only conditions on which the and burn op the resolution that they effect that they receded entirely from

Board Not There

False Impressions.

The board would do nothing and the faculty would do nothing toward reinstating them. Dr. McBryde said there was now no junior class of the V. P. I., but that each student who has been a member of that class and would like to return and continue his studies here, would be at liberty to submit in writing to the faculty a statement to the effect that he signed the mandatory resolution under

(Continued on Seventh Page.)



BUILDINGS AT BLACKSBURG

Wire Between the Building on the Right to a Corner Room In the One Nearest to It and Facing to the Front.

COL. "BILL" GREENE STRUCK BY DID NOT ARRIVE

Big Crowd Gathers to Protect Young Fulton Man Shot Down Lawson, Who Sits Coolly at Desk and Talks.

COMING MEN MORE IS

Predicts That Present Disturbance Is Only a Cloud That Foretells the Storm.

(BY JAMES CREELMAN.) (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

extraordinary character of Thomas shot on Nineteenth Street, near Main, by House, under the windows of his office

Lawson Still Hot.

(Continued on Second Page.) drafting of prayers from the smaller

The Effigy, Which Led to the Dismissal of the Junior Class, Was Hung

While Passing Restau-

rant Door.

Two Entered Bertocci's Place

and "Hunted Trouble,"

named William Hancock, of No. 22 Nich

Just before the shooting negroes enter

DR. ALDERMAN TO

ADDRESS NEW YORK BANKERS (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ident of the Borough of Brooklyn. The tickets this year have been limited to

FAVORS POST-SEASON

Says He.

WERE

THREATENING

BOSTON, December 14.-To appreciate

Power of Publicity.

approaching its end. The roof will fall with the walls. Make no mistake. I have no selfish motives, save the desire have no selfish motives, save the desire to earn the gratitude of the people in whose, interests I am working. I have an ambition too great to be satisfied by sehedule of 154 games for each club. whose, interests I am working, I have an ambition too great to be satisfied by schedule of 154 games for each club.

"How were these false prices made for a change in the regulations regarding the smaller."

HOWLING MOB Through Hooting Crowd Mrs. Chadwick Makes INDICTMENTS FOUND

Way to Jail. FIVE ADDITIONAL

JEERS WOMAN

While Mistress Slept in Cell Maid Occupied Palatial Residence - Great Throng at Station Blocked Traffic. Woman Issues State-

ment to Public.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, December 14 .-

nent of the fall, and her palatial resilence on Euclid Avenue, of which the furnishings alone are valued at \$200,000, s occupied by her maid.

Fell in Faint.

courage held to the last, but he falled her, and when she he

This mob had broken through the

SERIES OF BALL GAMES NEW YORK, December 14.—Resolutions of the train came to a standatil there were the champion teams of the National and the American Leagues for the champion teams of the National league of Professional Base-ball to the homeomorphile of the world were adopted in here to-day, at the annual meeting of the National League of Professional Base-ball for Clubs. While favoring the post-season games, the magnates stuck to the old specification of the minor leagues for a change in the resultations regarding the drafting of prayers from the smaller leagues was approved.

CAPTAIN WHITLOCK'S

DAMAGED BY FIRE

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Family Awakened Early This Morning by Smoke—Damage Considerable.

Police Captain W. B. Witlock's residence, No. 513 North Twenty-fourth strong and was damaged by fire and water a considerable amount, possibly amounting to \$1,000. The property is fine the mange of the same was an invention of the content of t

Submit Briefs to the Court.

age Considerable.

Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Without putting in a defense, the attorneys for G. E. Fisher, the banker and millionaire yarn manufacturer, to-day asked for the dismissal of the defendant, but the magistrate denied the request and ordered both sides to submit briefs.

In the case in which Fisher is charged with grand larceny, by T. Ashby Blythe, of Philadelphia, is involved a \$15,000 note. The evidence as submitted by the people showed that Blythe and Colonel P. J. Carr, of Philadelphia, had entered isto an underwriting agreement on the note, When it was urged that the overdue note be paid. Carr and Blythe agreed to pay their parts, providing that the draft which they said they would honor be accompanied by their shares of stocks and bonds that had heen deposited as additional collateral. It was claimed that Fisher told Carr that the note had been paid in full and would draw on Carr and Blythe. He drew, but Carr and Blythe, and bonds that had heen deposited as additional collateral. It was claimed that Fisher told Carr that the note had been paid in full and would draw on Carr and Blythe. He drew, but Carr and Blythe, He drew, but Carr and Blythe, red of the collateral was returned to Carr and Blythe, The defense claimed that because of this, there is no case against Fisher.

GIRL WAS FORCIBLY HUGGED AND KISSED

Assyrian Not Negro,

Has Young Man Arrested and He Denies the Soft Impeachment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) DANVILLE, VA., December 14.-Miss Dalsy Simmons, a pretty young factory g rl, daughter of Mr. W. J. Simmons, Front Street, last night swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Meade R.

BEAUTIES OF A CITY AS TOLD AND SHOWN

Mr. McFarland to Deliver an Illustrated Lecture at Chamber of Commerce To-night.

There will be a notable gathering at the Chamber of Commerce to-night at 8:50 o'clock to hear Mr. J. Horace Mc-Farland lecture on "The Harrisburg

Mr. McFarland is president of the

Front Street, last night swore out a warrant for the arrest of Mr. Meade R.
Flynn, charging him with forcibly hugging and kissing her. The girl identified Mr. Flynn positively as the man
guilty of the crime charged. She said
that she had known him for some time,
and that she had been in the habit of
chatting with him on her way to work.

The young woman, in her statement,
said that on last Menday morning, Mr.
Flynn, who was also on his way to his
work as a clerk in the postoffice, helpid
her down the steps leading to the street
and afterwards walked beside her; that
while passing an unfrequented place, Mr.
Flynn suddenly threw his arms sround
her neck and kissed hor; that she reported the matter to her father with the
result that measures were taken to have
Mr. Flynn answer to the charge.
Mr. Flynn answer to the charge.
Mr. McFarland is president of the
American Civic Federation; is in great
demand as a lecture, and has frequently
been invited to Richmond, but has been so reawakened in all
civic matters looking to a larger and
more beautiful city.
Thursday a week ago a mass meeting
was called by Post A, T. P. A. at the
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a more prosperous and a more beautiful Richmond.

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All the members of the Chamber of Commerce are cardially invited to be present by the committee from the Chamber of Commerce, consisting of Messrs. Coleman Wortham, John C. Preeman, Robert Lecky, Jr., L. O. Miller and J. Siewart Bryan.

The committees of the Chamber of Commerce, the T. P. A. and the Civic Improvement League invite all the members of these organizations to be present, and also units in ursing every man, woman and child in Richmond who is interested in this work to attend the meeting, which will be open to the public. There will be no admission fee.

Treaty Signed.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 14.—
A treaty of arbitration between Italy and
the United States was signed to-day at
the State Department by Baron Mayor
Des Planches, the Italian ambassador,
and Secretary Hay. The treaty is idenleal with the other arbitration treaties.

WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The 14 advertisements for help pub-lished in to-day's Times-Dispatch on rage 10 arg as follows: 2 Salesmen.

2 Office. 2 Domestics. 3 Miscellaneous, 2 Agents. This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

MAGISTRATE REFUSES TO DISMISS FISHER

Orders Both Sides in Case to